

REMARKS

Please cancel claims 1-2, 13-14, and 26-27.

Claims 3, 15, and 28 have been rewritten in independent form, including the limitations of their respective base claims and intervening claims. As these claims have been indicated by Examiner to be allowable if so rewritten, claims 3, 15, and 28 should now be in allowable form.

The remaining claims depend from one of claims 3, 15, and 28, and thus should also now be in allowable form.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 3-12, 15-25, and 28-37 are now in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the number below in order to speed the prosecution of this application.

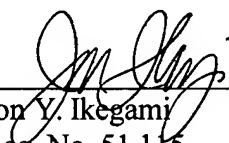
The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account **No. 07-1896** referencing Attorney Docket No. **351991-991220** (2102475-991220)

Respectfully submitted,

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